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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Claims 1-13 (canceled)Claim 14 (currently amended):

A method for securing electrical wiring to an elongated metal framing stud member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip, wherein the wiring clip comprises:

a main body being formed with a wire receiving area;

a first arm, wherein said first arm is located at a first end of said main body, and said first arm comprises a first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of a metal framing stud member having a face and two sides;

a second arm, wherein said second arm is located at a second end of said main body and said second arm comprises a second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member; and

said wire receiving area being adjacent the main body, wherein the wire receiving area is located between the first arm and the second arm,

the method for securing comprising the following steps:

- a) positioning the electrical wiring parallel to the length of the metal framing stud member;
- b) attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member via said first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member;
- c) moving the wiring clip over the metal framing stud member such that the electrical wiring is positioned within said wire receiving area;
- d) attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member via said second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member such that the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is secured to the face of the metal framing stud member wherein the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is centrally positioned on the face of the metal framing stud member between the first side of the metal framing stud member and the second side of the metal framing stud member and wherein the first arm and

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the second arm are in continuous contact with the first side and second side, respectively, of the metal framing stud member, wherein attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member and attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member brings the main body in contact with the face of the metal framing stud member.

Claim 15 (previously presented):

The method for securing electrical wiring to a metal framing member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip according to claim 14, further comprising the step of securing the wiring clip to the metal framing member with a secondary attachment means for attaching the wiring clip to the metal framing member.

Claim 16 (previously presented):

The method for securing electrical wiring to a metal framing member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip according to claim 15, wherein said secondary attachment means for attaching the wiring clip to the metal framing is a screw, wherein said method comprises: attaching the wiring clip to the metal framing member with the screw.

Claim 17 (canceled):

Claim 18 (original):

The method for securing electrical wiring to a metal framing member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip according to claim 14, wherein said method is for securing electrical wiring to a two-by-four metal framing member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip.

Claim 19 (original):

The method according to claim 18, wherein the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is secured to the face of the metal framing member so as to be located at least 1 ¼ inches from the first side of the metal framing member and located at least 1 ¼ inches from the second side of the metal framing member.

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The method according to claim 14, wherein the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is secured within the wire receiving area.

Claim 21 (previously presented):

The method for securing electrical wiring to a metal framing member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip according to claim 14,

wherein the wiring clip comprises a wire compression member within said wire receiving area, wherein said method comprises compressing the wiring located within the wire receiving area against the framing member when the wiring clip is attached to the framing member.

Claim 22 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 21, wherein the wire compression member is made of a substantially resilient material.

Claim 23 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 22, wherein the wire compression member is made of a material selected from the group consisting of: foam material and rubber material.

Claim 24 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 14, wherein the first attachment means is a J-hook, wherein said method comprises attaching the first arm to the first side of the metal framing member via the J-hook.

Claim 25 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 24, wherein the second attachment means for attaching comprises a bend in the second arm which can be slipped around an inner edge of the second side of the framing member, wherein said method comprises slipping the bend in the second arm around the inner edge of the second side of the framing member.

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The method according to claim 14, wherein the wiring clip is made of a flexible metal.

Claim 27 (previously presented):

The method according to claim 14, wherein the wiring clip is made of a flexible plastic.

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The method according to claim 14, wherein the first arm and the second arm are thin enough to not interfere with the attachment of a covering material to the framing member.

Claim 31 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 14, wherein the first arm and the second arm allow fastening screws to penetrate through, wherein the method comprises securing the wiring clip to the metal framing member by penetrating fastening screws through at least one of the first arm and the second arm.

Claim 32 (currently amended):

A method for securing electrical wiring to an elongated metal framing stud member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip, wherein the wiring clip comprises:

a main body being formed with a wire receiving area;

a first arm, wherein said first arm is located at a first end of said main body, and said first arm comprises a first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of a metal framing stud member having a face and two sides;

a second arm, wherein said second arm is located at a second end of said main body and said

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second arm comprises a second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member; and

said wire receiving area being adjacent the main body, wherein the wire receiving area is located between the first arm and the second arm,

the method for securing comprising the following steps:

- a) positioning the electrical wiring along the metal framing stud member;
- b) attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member via said first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member;
- c) moving the wiring clip over the metal framing stud member such that the electrical wiring is positioned within said wire receiving area;
- d) attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member via said second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member such that the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is secured to the face of the metal framing stud member wherein the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is centrally positioned on the face of the metal framing stud member between the first side of the metal framing stud member and the second side of the metal framing stud member and wherein the first arm and the second arm are in continuous contact with the first side and second side, respectively, of the metal framing stud member, wherein attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member and attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member brings the main body in contact with the face of the metal framing stud member.

Claim 33 (currently amended):

A method for securing electrical wiring to an elongated metal framing stud member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip, wherein the wiring clip comprises:

- a main body being formed with a U-shaped wire receiving area;
- a first arm, wherein said first arm is located at a first end of said main body, and said first arm comprises a first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of a metal framing stud member having a face and two sides;

a second arm, wherein said second arm is located at a second end of said main body and said second arm comprises a second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member; and

said U-shaped wire receiving area adjacent the main body, wherein the wire receiving area is located between the first arm and the second arm,

the method for securing comprising the following steps:

a) positioning the electrical wiring parallel to the length of the metal framing stud member;

b) attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member via said first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member;

c) moving the wiring clip over the metal framing stud member such that the electrical wiring is positioned within said wire receiving area;

d) attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member via said second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member such that the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is secured to the face of the metal framing stud member wherein the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is centrally positioned on the face of the metal framing stud member between the first side of the metal framing stud member and the second side of the metal framing stud member and whereby the wiring clip is in continuous contact with the metal framing stud member except at the U-shaped wire receiving area, wherein attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member and attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member brings the main body in contact with the face of the metal framing stud member.

Claim 34 (currently amended):

A method for securing electrical wiring to an elongated metal framing stud member having a face and two sides with a wiring clip, wherein the wiring clip comprises:

a main body being formed with a U-shaped wire receiving area;

a first arm, wherein said first arm is located at a first end of said main body, and said first arm comprises a first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of a metal framing stud

member having a face and two sides;

a second arm, wherein said second arm is located at a second end of said main body and said second arm comprises a second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member; and

said U-shaped wire receiving area adjacent the main body, wherein the wire receiving area is located between the first arm and the second arm,

the method for securing comprising the following steps:

- a) positioning the electrical wiring along the metal framing stud member;
- b) attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member via said first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member;
- c) moving the wiring clip over the metal framing stud member such that the electrical wiring is positioned within said wire receiving area;
- d) attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member via said second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member such that the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is secured to the face of the metal framing stud member wherein the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is centrally positioned on the face of the metal framing stud member between the first side of the metal framing stud member and the second side of the metal framing stud member and whereby the wiring clip is in continuous contact with the metal framing stud member except at the U-shaped wire receiving area, wherein attaching said first arm to a first side of the metal framing stud member and attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing stud member brings the main body in contact with the face of the metal framing stud member.

Claim 35 (canceled)

Claim 36 (currently amended):

The method according to claim-36~~14~~, wherein the main body contacts the face of the metal framing stud member such that the wire positioned within the wire receiving area is secured a distance from the first side of the metal framing stud member.

Claim 37 (currently amended):

A wiring clip for securing wiring to a metal framing member having a face and two sides, comprising;

- a) a main body;
- b) a first arm located at a first end of said main body, wherein said first arm comprises a first attachment means for attaching said first arm to a first side of a metal framing member having a face and two sides;
- c) a second arm located at a second end of said main body, wherein said second arm comprises a second attachment means for attaching said second arm to a second side of the metal framing member; and
- d) a wire receiving area adjacent the main body, wherein the wire receiving area is located between the first arm and the second arm, wherein when said first arm and said second arm are attached to the first and second sides, respectively, of the metal framing member, wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is secured to the face of the metal framing member so as to be centrally positioned on the face of the metal framing member between the first side of the metal framing member and the second side of the metal framing member, wherein when said first arm and said second arm are attached to the first and second sides, respectively, of the metal framing member, the main body is in contact with the face of the metal framing stud member.

Claim 38 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, further comprising a wire compression member within said wire receiving area, wherein said wire compression member compresses electric wiring located within said wire receiving area against the framing member when said wiring clip is attached to the framing member.

Claim 39 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according claim 38, wherein said wire compression member comprises a substantially resilient material.

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The wiring clip according to claim 39, wherein said wire compression member is made of a material selected from the group consisting of: foam material and rubber material.

Claim 41 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, wherein said first attachment means for attaching comprises a J-hook.

Claim 42 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 41, wherein said second attachment means for attaching comprises a bend in the second arm which can be slipped around an inner edge of the second side of the framing member.

Claim 43 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, wherein said wiring clip is made of a flexible metal.

Claim 44 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, wherein said wiring clip is made of a flexible plastic.

Claim 45 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, wherein said wiring clip is dimensioned to substantially fit about a two-by-four metal framing member.

Claim 46 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, wherein said wire receiving area comprises a means for closeably securing the wiring within the wire receiving area.

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The wiring clip according to claim 46, wherein said means for closeably securing the wiring within the wire receiving area comprises a snap mechanism, wherein said snap mechanism opens and closes the wire receiving area.

Claim 48 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, wherein said first arm and said second arm are thin enough to not interfere with the attachment of a covering material to the framing member.

Claim 49 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, wherein said first arm and said second arm allow covering fastening screws to penetrate through.

Claim 50 (previously presented):

The wiring clip according to claim 45, wherein the wiring positioned within the wire receiving area is secured to the face of the metal framing member so as to be located at least 1 ¼ inches from the first side of the metal framing member and located at least 1 ¼ inches from the second side of the metal framing member.

Claim 51 (new):

The wiring clip according to claim 37, wherein when said first arm and said second arm are attached to the first and second sides, respectively, of the metal framing member, the main body is in contact with the face of the metal framing stud member such that the wire positioned within the wire receiving area is secured a distance from the first side of the metal framing stud member.